

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

Sandhu et. al.

**Serial No.:** Not yet assigned

**Filed:** August 18, 2003

**For:** PROCESS FOR GROWING A  
DIELECTRIC LAYER ON A SILICON  
CONTAINING SURFACE USING A  
MIXTURE OF N<sub>2</sub>O AND O<sub>3</sub>

**Examiner:** Unknown

**Group Art Unit:** Unknown

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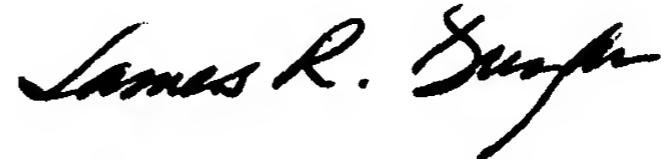
The present application is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/059,718, filed April 13, 1998, pending, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/651,563, filed on May 22, 1996, now abandoned.

Pursuant to M.P.E.P. 2001.06(b), the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the information of record in the prior applications, and to confirm in the first Office Action on the merits that such art has in fact been reviewed. A PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08 form listing all of the information of record in the prior applications is enclosed herewith.

**Atty. Docket No. 3980.3US (92-0094.02/US)**

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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	Translation	
						YES	NO
	4075354	03/1992	Japan				
	5343421	12/1993	Japan				
	4333160	03/1995	Germany				
	8078693	03/1996	Japan				

## OTHER DOCUMENTS

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